

Vacancy Announcement

Embassy of the United States of America Bujumbura, Burundi

Vacancy Announcement No. 2010-25

June 4, 2010

Open To: All Interested Persons

Position: Customs & Shipping Clerk/ Travel Expediter FSN-905-06

Opening Date: Immediate

Closing Date: June 21, 2010

Work Hours: Full-time; 40 hours/week

The U.S. Embassy in Bujumbura is seeking an individual for the position of an Expediter /Customs & Shipping Clerk. All third country nationals must have the required work permit.

BASIC FUNCTIONS

This is a mixed position which includes arranging and facilitating incoming and outgoing shipments and customs clearance for private property and U.S. Government property, including preparing the necessary paperwork, and arranging for the travel of U.S. citizen personnel assigned to post and for the travel and accommodations of TDY personnel.

MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Customs and Shipping: prepares and types a variety of documents related to incoming and outgoing shipments. Facilitates the shipment of official property, equipment and personal effects for State, AID, DAO and other agencies of the U.S. Mission. Arranges customs clearance for all incoming and outgoing shipments through contact with customs officers in Burundi. Assists in the scheduling of unpacking and delivery of incoming shipments; assists in arranging for transport to the point of destination or storage depot; and schedules the shipment of all outgoing shipments of HHE, UAB, and POVs. May be requested to arrange for the preparation and the distribution of all necessary documentation such as Bills of Lading, GBLs, AWBs, and submits all records to the GSO Office for action and/or filing. Assists with expediting customs and immigration formalities for USG personnel and VIP visitors upon arrival in Bujumbura airport or at border points. Maintains liaison with working level officials of customs office and may deliver documents to the Burundian customs office as needed.

Travel Expeditor -Assists with expediting customs and immigration formalities for USG personnel and VIP visitors upon arrival in Bujumbura airport or at border points. Maintains

liaison with working level officials of customs office and may deliver documents to the Burundian customs office as needed.

A copy of the complete position description listing all duties and responsibilities is available at http://burundi.usembassy.gov/resources/employment-opportunities.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

Education - completion of secondary school required.

Prior Work Experience - 2 years work in travel, transport, or customs preferred.

Post Entry Training - On-the-job Training

Language Proficiency – Level IV French required, Level III English required, level II Kiswahili optional, Level III Kirundi required.

Job Knowledge – local travel possibilities, travel regulations; customs and transport regulations **Skills and Abilities** - Must be able to deal with the large bureaucracy involved in shipment.

POSITION ELEMENTS

Supervision Received: from GSO

Available Guidelines: 6FAM, 3FAM, FTR, ABC airline guides, airline schedules

Exercise of Judgment: in arranging reservations and customs clearances for shipments.

Authority to Make Commitments: None

Nature, Level and Purpose of Contacts: working level contact with airport customs and warehouse personnel to facilitate receiving shipments.

Supervision Exercised: None

Time Required to Perform Full Range of Duties after Entry into the Position: Six months.

SELECTION PROCESS

When fully qualified, US Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs) and US Veterans are given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate specifically address the required qualifications above in the application.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA

- 1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
- 2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.

- 3. Currently employed US Citizen EFMs who hold a FMA appointment are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
- 4. Currently employed NORs hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.

TO APPLY

The application form is available on the Bujumbura Embassy Internet Site at http://burundi.usembassy.gov/resources/employment-opportunities and click on the link "Application form." Interested applicants for this position must submit the following or the application will not be considered.

- 1. Application for US Federal Employment (SF-171 or OF-612); and a current resume or curriculum vitae that provides additional information to the OF-612; plus
- 2. Candidates who claim US Veterans preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application.
- 3. All documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards, copies of degrees earned) that addresses the qualification requirements of the position as listed above.

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: June 21, 2010 at 5:30 pm.

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:
Human Resources Office
American Embassy Bujumbura
Avenue des Etats-Unis
B.P 1720 Bujumbura
Ref.: Position Title

The US Mission in Bujumbura provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited Human Resources practices, and/or courts for relief.

DEFINITIONS

- 1. US Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM) For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:
 - US Citizen; and,
 - EFM (see above) at least 18 years old; and,
 - Listed on the travel orders of a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member assigned to or stationed abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and either:
 - 1. Resides at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
 - 2. Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2.
- 2. EFM: An individual related to a US Government employee in one of the following ways:
 - Spouse;
 - Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support.
 The term shall include, in addition to natural offspring, stepchildren and adopted children and
 those under legal guardianship of the employee or the spouse when such children are expected to
 be under such legal guardianship until they reach 21 years of age and when dependent upon and
 normally residing with the guardian;
 - Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support;
 - Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.
- 3. Member of Household (MOH) An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan. An MOH is:
 - Not an EFM: and.
 - Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and,
 - Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

A MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. A MOH does not have to be a US Citizen.

- 4. Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR) An individual who:
 - Is not a citizen of the host country; and,
 - Does not ordinarily reside (OR, see below) in the host country; and,
 - Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws; and,
 - Has a US Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

- 5. Ordinarily Resident (OR) A Foreign National or US citizen who:
 - Is locally resident; and,
 - Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
 - Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFMs without US Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including US citizens, are compensated in accordance with the LCP.